

Dear All,

Governor Malloy's recent address was courageous, and while I applaud him for attempting to rehabilitate a long neglected transportation infrastructure, I implore him and you to do everything possible to prevent tolls in perimeter cities like Danbury.

The Governor says he'll ask the caucuses for committee membership recommendations. It goes without saying that preconceived pro-toll proclivities will disqualify anyone from a seat on the forthcoming transportation funding committee, if such a committee is to have any hope of impartiality.

Boundary tolls in Danbury will do lasting harm to the city and its hardworking citizens' way of life. Our success was not an accident, but the result of years of planning, tough decisions and sacrifice. The idea that out-of-town elected officials would shift to the margins what ultimately must become a state wide expense, thus conveniently freeing their own interior constituents like Connecticut River region voters from any annoying new costs, is as transparent as it is odious. Please maintain a free and open border.

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Best,

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